

## County Board Finance & Audit Committee

Supervisor Elizabeth M. Coggs, Chair

Supervisor Johnny L. Thomas, Vice-Chair Supervisor James "Luigi" Schmitt Supervisor Peggy A. West Supervisor Michael Mayo, Sr. Supervisor Willie Johnson, Jr. Supervisor Patricia Jursik

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## COUNTY BOARD 2011 BUDGET BLAST: OCTOBER 28, 2010

**Milwaukee, WI** – The Milwaukee County Board's Finance & Audit Committee has held a series of public meetings throughout October on the <u>County Executive's 2011 Recommended Budget</u>. Each day, the Committee has voted on a number of specific departments and items in the budget.



Finance & Audit Committee Budget Meeting from Courthouse Room 203-R

Today, the Committee **voted to approve** the following budget items:

- 6-1 as amended (No: Mayo) Employee Fringe Benefits/Wage and Benefit Modification Account
  - Amendment approved 6-1 (No: Mayo) to create alternative HMO and PPO plan designs, Flexible Spending Accounts, a modified version of the employee pension contribution and other changes as outlined in Amendment 1C002.
- County Board-Office of Community Business Development Partners
  - o Amendment approved 5-2 (No: Schmitt, Jursik) to allocate \$125,000 to retain outside consultant assistance and related services to continue to serve the Task Force on Work Reform for Men.
- 6-1 (No: Mayo) County Sales Tax Revenue
- 7-0 State Exempt Computer Aid (additional revenue of \$88,084)
- 7-0 Budget Amendment No. 2 (reflecting Personnel Actions approved by the Personnel Committee and the County Board that are not included in the County Executive's 2011 Recommended Budget.
- 7-0 to approve a resolution/ordinance relating to surplus county sales and use tax revenues
- 6-1 (No: Schmitt) Property Taxes Budget as amended

## Capital Improvements Budget

The Committee **voted to approve** the following Capital Improvement budgets:

- New Courthouse Complex Capital
  - Amendment approved 4-1 (No: Schmitt, Excused: Mayo, Jursik) to increase general obligation bonding by \$90,000 for improvements to the 10<sup>th</sup> Street Courthouse

The Committee voted 6-1 (No: Schmitt) to approve a property tax levy of \$268,894,605, an increase of \$5,629,865 (2.1%) from 2010. The Committee then voted 6-1 (No: Schmitt) to approve the amended 2011 Budget.

Click here to access the 2011 County Budget meeting schedule

<u>Click here to listen to live audio from the meetings</u> (available while meetings are in progress)

Today's meeting was the final meeting before the full County Board's Public Hearing on the 2011 Budget, scheduled for 7 p.m. Monday, November 1 at the Washington Park Senior Center.

The next meeting, which will include comments from the County Executive, is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 3 in Room 203-R of the Milwaukee County Courthouse.

The County Board of Supervisors, under the leadership of Chairman Lee Holloway, will adopt the County's 2011 Budget on Monday, November 8 at 8:30 a.m. in Room 200 of the Milwaukee County Courthouse.